IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Confirmation No: 8216

Chaney et al.

Group Art Unit: 1638

Application Serial No.: 09/437,607

Examiner: Ibrahim, M.A.

Filed: November 10, 1999

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For: Recovering Metals from Soil

September 29, 2004

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The applicants respectfully petition for an extension of time of three (3) months for responding to the outstanding official action dated March 29, 2004.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3), the applicants attach a check in the amount of \$475.00 to cover the extension fee for a small entity.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiencies or credit any over-payments associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Attorney Docket No. 108172-00037.

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Respectfully submitted,

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